

# **THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST**

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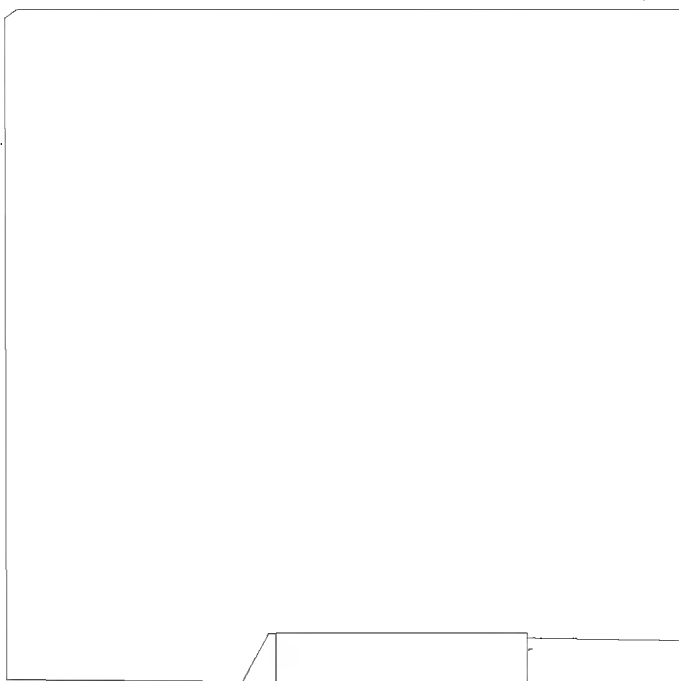
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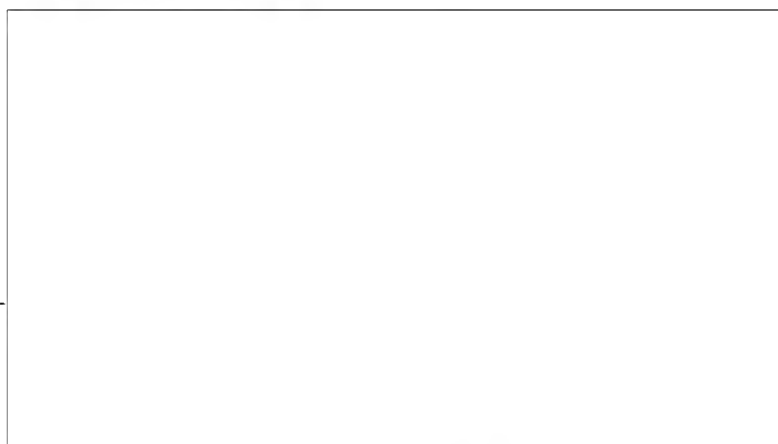


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1. Morocco-  
Algeria

a. The lull in the border war may already have ended. The Moroccans claim another Algerian attack this morning.



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d. There was plenty of activity on the diplomatic front, but little discernible progress. Morocco, at first receptive, has now rejected the idea of a mediation committee from the Arab League.

e. The most promising initiative is still that of Haile Selassie. The latter is in Algiers pressing his offer to meet with Hassan and Ben Bella.

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f. Nasir, whatever his desires to the contrary, is getting in deeper.

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ment [redacted] is  
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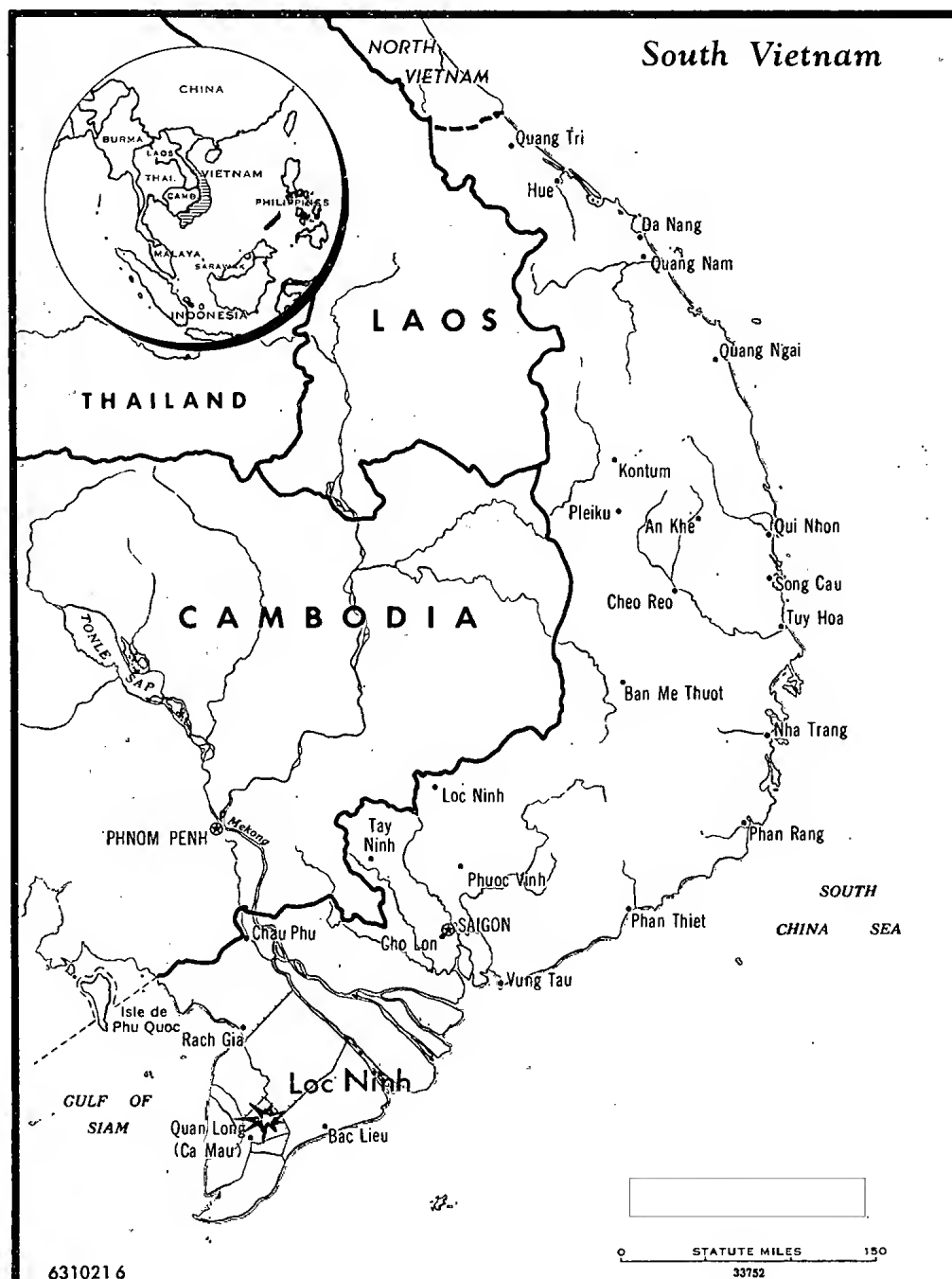
2. UAR - Yemen -  
Saudi Arabia

a. Nasir has again refused to withdraw an appreciable number of his 30,000 troops from Yemen at this time.

b. He told Ambassador Badeau Sunday that such an action would lead inevitably to a Yemeni royalist resurgence. He cited "firm" intelligence of continuing Saudi activities in Yemen and of secret Saudi preparations to ship arms to the royalists.

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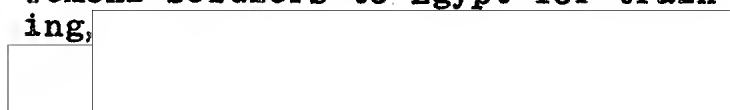


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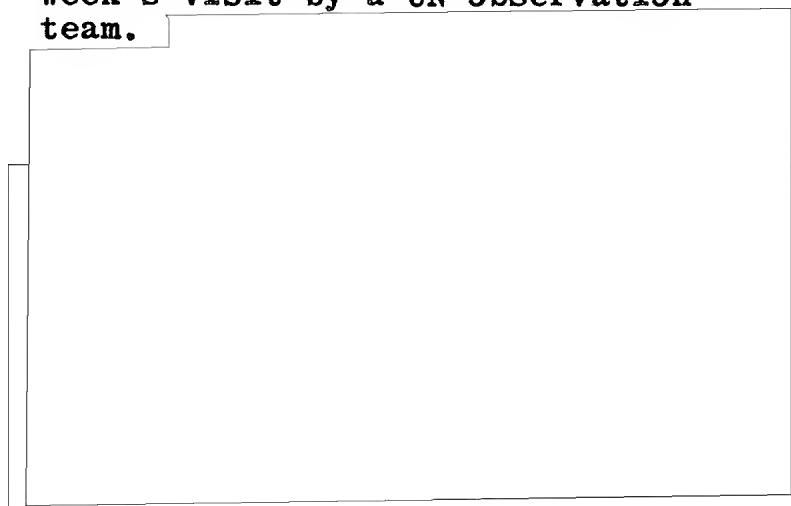
e. Nasir may have developed his own long-term solution to his dilemma in Yemen. He is bringing Yemeni soldiers to Egypt for training,



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### 3. South Vietnam

a. Saigon's pagodas are being spruced up in preparation for this week's visit by a UN observation team.



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c. Opposition elements, convinced they will have little if any direct access to the UN team, probably look on further demonstrations and self-immolations as the only way to get their points across.

d. [REDACTED]  
Nhu is still thinking in terms of staging a demonstration, possibly violent, in front of the US embassy  
[REDACTED]

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e. On the military side, Saturday's battle in the southern delta was an effective demonstration of Viet Cong defensive capabilities. Profiting from lessons learned in the bloody affair at Ap Bac early in the year, the Communists made good use of carefully prepared defenses to hold off a superior force. Government troops gave a good account of themselves in trying circumstances.  
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#### 4. South Korea

a. Kim Chong-pil returns to South Korea Wednesday.  
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[REDACTED] Kim  
would if elected assume a leading  
position in the government rather  
than operate behind the scenes as  
before.

c. This effort to rehabilitate  
the cordially disliked Kim will not  
sit well with important civilian and  
military figures in South Korea.

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NOTES

A. Dominican Republic

leftist and Castroite elements will begin armed action against the post-Bosch regime

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- B. Pakistan-India We continue to pick up inklings of possible Pakistani plans to stir up the Kashmir pot. The talk this weekend in Karachi and Rawalpindi of "something big" about to happen involving Kashmir showed signs of being inspired by the government.

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- C. Greece The sharp clashes last week between left-wing elements and the Athens police were instigated by the Communist-dominated United Democratic Party in the hopes of provoking strong police measures. The party's aim, of course, is to discredit the 3 November elections as a "legalized fraud."

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- D. USSR-Iraq [redacted] 50X1  
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[redacted] Soviet military 50X1  
equipment to Iraq [redacted] Moscow agreed to 50X1  
resume supplying equipment contracted for by the  
Qasim regime. Further shipments are expected.  
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- E. North Vietnam [redacted] 50X1  
[redacted] capture of [redacted] govern- 50X1  
ment officials by "raiders" operating near Hanoi.  
[redacted] 50X1  
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- F. France-China Officials at the French foreign of-  
fice have assured Embassy Paris that, despite the  
New York Times, France has no plan or intention to  
make any change in its political relations with the  
Chinese Communists. These officials do say that,  
conceivably, there might be cultural exchanges or  
private commercial transactions.
- G. Congo [redacted] Congolese paracommandos were seized 50X1  
Sunday [redacted] under the 50X1  
"state of emergency" declaration. The grounds were  
that the men were plotting to assassinate leading  
government figures including Adoula and Kasavubu.

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